

Warrant for Special Town Meeting

Commonwealth of Massachusetts • Town of East Longmeadow

Monday • October 21, 2013 • 7:00PM

HAMPDEN, ss:
To the Constables or the Tax Collector for the Town of East Longmeadow:

You, the Constables or the Tax Collector, as aforesaid, are required to notify and warn said inhabitants to meet in the East Longmeadow High School at 7:00 o'clock in the evening on Monday, October 21, 2013, to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to reduce the tax rate; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen \$500,000.00
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds or by bonding to lease or purchase a building for use as municipal space; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen

Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information
Capital Planning Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to renovate the historic fire station building on Shaker Road for use as municipal space; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen \$ 170,000.00
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information
Capital Planning Committee Recommendation: Not Recommended

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund the negotiated collective bargaining agreement with the Town Employees Union; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen \$60,000.00
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund the negotiated collective bargaining agreement with the Police Union; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen \$40,000.00
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund the negotiated collective bargaining agreement with the Fire Union; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen \$30,000.00
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize an interdepartmental transfer of funds from the Trash budget to the Animal Control budget; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen \$4,000.00
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Recommended

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to offset the Fiscal Year 2013 departmental legal services budget deficit; and pass any vote and take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen \$10,000.00
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Recommended

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer a sum of money from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund balance to the Community Preservation Open Space Fund, or to finance from bonding the renovations of the Pine Knoll pool; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Community Preservation Committee \$350,000.00
Board of Selectmen Recommendation: No recommendation at time of print
Recreation Commission Recommendation: Recommended
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Recommended
Capital Planning Committee Recommendation: Recommended

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend section 8.030 of the General By-laws by adding a new section as follows:

(B) No owner or foreclosing mortgagee (hereinafter “owner”) shall allow grass, trees, bushes, shrubs or any other vegetation to constitute a nuisance, as determined by the Building Commissioner, to the health, safety or appearance of the neighborhood where the property is located. If the Building Commissioner notifies the owner of the existence of a nuisance and said owner fails to correct the situation identified in said notice within ten (10) days of the date of the notice, the Town may correct the nuisance through its employees or an independent contractor. The cost of correction plus and administrative fee of \$200.00 shall be assessed against the property and shall be a municipal charges lien under section 8.140 and enforced as set forth therein;

and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer the sum of \$325,000 from available funds for the removal and the complete reconstruction of the six East Longmeadow High School tennis courts, including fence, lighting and other appropriate tangentially related items; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Petition of Salvatore Pizzanelli and others
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information
Capital Planning Committee Recommendation: Not Recommended

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to raise, appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to pay for contracts, fees, costs and expenses related to the negotiation of surrounding impacted community agreements with casino developers in western Massachusetts; and pass any vote or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen
Appropriations Committee Recommendation: Not recommended due to insufficient information

RESOLUTION. To see if the Citizens of East Longmeadow will vote to approve the following Resolution:

Be it resolved that the citizens of East Longmeadow do not approve of casino gambling in western Massachusetts.

Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen

Given under our hands this September 17, 2013:

Paul L. Federici

Angela Thorpe

Debra A. Boronski

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Note to residents: Residents are asked to remember to bring this copy of the Warrant with them to the Special Town Meeting as only a limited number of additional copies will be made available. If any attendee has any special needs to participate at this Town Meeting, please contact the Town’s ADA Coordinator, Dan Hellyer, Building Commissioner, at 525-5400, ext. 1100.
Note: All non-voters may be asked to sit in alternate seating.

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